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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Reissue application of:

HASEBE et al

Group Art Unit: 2132

Application No.: 09/476,319

Examiner: Gilberto Barron, Jr.

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For: STORAGE MEDIUM FOR PREVENTING AN IRREGULAR USE BY A THIRD

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Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

Further to applicants' response filed on June 3, 2002, and prior to further examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as set forth below:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 103-110 without prejudice.

Please amend claims 1, 6, 11, 17-19, 23-29, 33-39, 43-49, 53-56, 111-113, 119 and 123-125 as follows. A copy of the marked up original claims is attached to this response showing the changes, as a courtesy to the Examiner.